

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. President. Just a small response to Senator Chambers. If this bill is going to do as many good things for the education and to relieve some of the discriminatory things that happen here across the state and across the country, I am certainly a hundred percent for it. There are instances, of course, in a deck of cards, when some of those cards assume a different value or a different name, they are called the joker or a wild card, but that is only temporary, just like putting on a mask and going to a masquerade ball. When you are done, the mask comes off and it becomes a deuce or a trey or a joker again, and I will support this bill, and I will be looking forward to the things that are going to be done to it at Select File to make it a better bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Withem, would you like to close on the advancement of the bill?

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, I would be happy to, Mr. President, members of the body. First of all, in regard to the dialogue between Senator Chambers and Senator Bernard-Stevens, Senator Hall asked me to handle this bill for him so I am sure he would be delighted to hear me say that he will pledge all of the time that he has necessary to work with the two of you. I am sure he would be happy to sit down and visit with you folks about ways of improving the bill, if it does need to be improved. I guess with that, it has been discussed. There is some things I wanted to say in regard to the Chambers-Elmer dialogue. I think it was instructive but I guess I will just let it rest and I know people want to get on to visit about the next bill, so I just urge that you advance this piece of legislation.

PRESIDENT: The question is the advancement of LB 250. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance LB 250.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. LB 250A, please.

CLERK: LB 250A, Mr. President, was a bill introduced by Senator Hall. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Withem, please, on the A bill.